

MINUTES

OF THE

FORTY-NINTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Tuskegee Baptist Association

HELD WITH THE

CHURCH AT AUBURN, ALA.

October 16th and 17th, 1894.

OFFICERS:

ELD. G. A. HORNADY.....	MODERATOR.....	Tuskegee, Ala.
ELD. C. W. BUCK.....	CLERK.....	Salem, Ala.
E. BREWER.....	TREASURER.....	Opelika, Ala.

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LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS.


Eld. C. W. Buck.....	Salem, Alabama.
" John J. Cloud.....	LaPlace, Alabama.
" F. T. Hudson.....	Auburn, Alabama.
" H. W. Garlington.....	LaFayette, Alabama.
" S. B. Grimes.....	Society Hill, Alabama.
" G. A. Hornady.....	Tuskegee, Alabama.
" J. B. Clements	Opelika, Alabama.
" Z. D. Roby.....	Opelika, Alabama.
" G. S. Anderson	Auburn, Alabama.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

W. E. HUDMON,	G. A. HORNADY,	J. M. LOVE.
F. E. HAYNIE,	JOHN J. CLOUD,	J. C. CONDON.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Opening Services.
2. Read the letters from the Churches and enroll Delegates.
3. Invite Ministers of our Order to Seats with us.
4. Orgauize by Electing Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer.
5. Call for Petitionary Letters.
6. Receive Correspondents from Sister Associations.
7. Appoint Committees on Preaching, Documents and State of Religion, Home and Foreign Missions, Sunday Schools, Education, Temperance, Deceased Ministers, State Missions and Colportage, and Orphans' Home.
8. Appoint Correspondents to Sister Associations.
9. Appoint Delegates to State Convention.
10. Hear Report of Executive Committee.
11. Hear Report of any other Committee appointed last Session.
12. Elect the Executive Committee.
13. Hear Reports from the several Committees appointed this Session.
14. Hear Treasurer's Report.
15. Determine where the next Session of the Association will be held.
16. Arrange for Printing Minutes and Distrbution.
17. Miscellaneous business.
18. Closing Exercises.

 Next Session convenes with the Pleasant Grove Church, 6 miles west of Salem, Tuesday before the third Sunday in October, 1895.

MINUTES.

AUBURN, ALA., Oct. 16, 1894.

The Forty-ninth Session of the Tuskegee Association convened with the Baptist church at Auburn, Alabama, Tuesday, October 16, 1894.

By request, the preaching of the Introductory Sermon was deferred until the night service, to enable some of the delegates to be present, not yet arrived.

The former Moderator, Elder G. A. Hornady, and the Clerk, Elder C. W. Buck, both being present, they called the meeting to order at 11 o'clock a. m., and proceeded to organization.

Brethren William King and Willie Allen were requested to collect the church letters, and Brethren P. H. Mell and W. C. Bledsoe were appointed to read them, which was done.

The delegates were then enrolled as follows:

Auburn Church—P. H. Mell, C. E. Little, J. M. Bennett, Jno. Binford, A. F. McKissick, L. L. Cooper.

Concord, (Lee County)—J. D. Green, Adolphus Peach.

Concord, (Macon County)—J. W. Gunn.

County Line—W. S. Adams, W. R. Adams.

Cubahatchee—John J. Cloud.

La Place—E. M. Swearengen, Jr.

Loachapoka—F. E. Hanie, N. G. Macon, T. J. Carlisle.

Notasulga—By Letter.

Opelika—Z. D. Roby, W. E. Hudmon, J. C. Condon, E. Brewer, C. A. McCrary, W. E. Smith.

Pleasant Grove—D. P. Meadors, B. F. Stribling.

Pleasant Hill—C. C. Spratling, R. Youngblood.

Providence—J. A. Walton, C. A. Killian.

Rocky Mount—W. Phipps, W. W. King, Ben Sharman.

Salem—C. W. Buck, J. M. Love, E. W. Solomons, W. A. Adams, Willie Whitman.

Shiloh—J. P. Arrant, S. C. Williams.

Society Hill—John Richardson.

Tuskegee—G. A. Hornady.

Union Grove—A. M. Blalock, H. S. Smith.

Elam—Not represented.

The delegates present being enrolled, the Association proceeded

to perfect the organization by electing officers, resulting in the re-election of the former officers by acclamation:

Moderator, Elder G. A. Hornady; Clerk, Elder C. W. Buck; Treasurer, Maj. E. W. Solomons.

Brother Solomons, on account of age and extreme feebleness, asked the privilege of resigning, as he did not feel able to attend to the duties. His resignation being accepted, Brother Ed. Brewer, of the Opelika Church, was elected treasurer.

A petitionary letter was presented from Salem Church, Tallapoosa county. The letter was read and the church received into the fellowship of this association, and the names of the following delegates enrolled: John Bryant, Mark Cameron.

Correspondents from other bodies being called for, the following brethren responded:

East Liberty Association—W. C. Bledsoe, John P. Shaffer, W. E. Lloyd, J. P. Hunter, J. R. Stodghill.

Central Association—G. E. Brewer.

Montgomery Association—J. G. Harris.

Columbus, Ga.—J. Phipps.

Western Ga.—B. M. Pack.

Howard College and Orphans' Home—J. B. Whittle.

Correspondents were returned as follows:

East Liberty—(To meet with Farmville Church, Oct. 8, 1895), Z. D. Roby, F. T. Hudson, G. E. Anderson, C. W. Buck, G. A. Hornady, J. C. Condon, N. G. Macon, J. M. Love.

Central—(To meet at Rockford, Oct. 2, 1895), G. A. Hornady, Z. D. Roby, G. S. Anderson, F. T. Hudson.

Harris Association—J. M. Love, C. W. Buck.

Messenger to Southern Baptist Convention—Elder G. A. Hornady, Elder C. W. Buck, alternate.

Moderator appointed committees to report at this session.

On Preaching—Elder G. S. Anderson, J. M. Love, C. E. Little, P. H. Mell.

On Documents and State Religion—W. E. Hudmon.

Sunday Schools—C. W. Buck.

On motion by Dr. Roby, Rev. J. P. Shaffer, of Liberty, was requested to preach the Introductory Sermon this evening at 7 o'clock.

On motion, adjourned to 2 o'clock P. M.

Benediction by Brother Whittle.

EVENING SESSION.

Tuesday, 2 P. M.—Services opened by prayer.

Brother W. E. Hudmon read the report of the Executive Committee as follows:

We beg leave to submit the following: Your committee, at a meeting last December promised the following amounts to pastors:

Union Grove Church—J. R. Stodghill, pastor.....	\$ 40 00
Liberty “ “ “ “ “	40 00
County Line “ “ “ “ “	33 33
Concord, Lee county, J. H. Wallace “	50 00
Loachapoka, G. S. Anderson “	50 00
Pleasant Grove, F. T. Hudson “	40 00
F. T. Hudson, Evangelist	200 00
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	\$453 33

There has been paid on the above:

To J. R. Stodghill, \$25.80 balance due.....	\$ 87 53
“ J. H. Wallace paid 10 75 “ “	39 25
“ G. S. Anderson “ 14 70 “ “	35 30
“ F. T. Hudson “ 51 60 “ “	188 40
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	\$350 48

We recommend that all undesignated funds sent up by the churches be appropriated to the payment of the above, or as much as is necessary to liquidate the same in full.

We attach hereto a statement of amounts sent to the Executive Committee during the associational year, and submit vouchers for distribution of the same.

W. E. HUDMON, Chairman Ex. Com.

W. E. HUDMON, *Treasurer, in Account with*
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, TUSKEGEE ASSOCIATION.

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April 20—To G. W. Campbell (Tuskegee Church).....	\$15 00
“ 30—To A. M. Blalock (Union Grove).....	11 41
May 9—To S. B. Fears (County Line Church).....	1 26
“ 21—To G. W. Meadors, Pleasant Grove.....	1 00
“ 28—To E. W. Solomons, (Salem Church and S. S.)..	5 62
“ 29—To W. M. H. (Opelika Ch. and Ladies' A. S.)...	24 84
June 2—To S. B. Fears, County Line	72
“ 12—To J. J. Cloud, Cubahatchee	3 38
“ 19—To G. W. Meadors, Pleasant Grove.....	1 03
July 31—To W. M. H., (Opelika Church).....	27 70
Aug. 1—To G. W. Carlisle, (Loachapoka Church)...	8 86
“ 27—To E. W. Solomons, (Salem Ch. and S. S.) ...	2 03—\$102 85

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By F. T. Hudson, Evangelist.....	\$ 43 00
“ F. T. Hudson, Pleasant Grove.....	8 60
“ J. R. Stodghill, Liberty.....	8 60
“ “ “ Union Grove.....	8 60
“ “ “ County Line.....	8 60
“ G. S. Anderson, Loachapoka.....	14 70
“ J. H. Wallace, Concord	\$ 10 75—\$102 85

Respectfully submitted, W. E. HUDMON, Treas. Ex. Com.

REPORT ON HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS,

Called for, read, and adopted as follows:

HOME MISSIONS.

From the last annual report of the Home Mission Board made to the Southern Baptist Convention, held in Dallas, Texas, last May, we make the following extracts:

During the year the Board had employed 381 missionaries, who had done 16,280 weeks of service. Their missionaries were distributed, 1 in Alabama, 23 in Arkansas, 24 in Cuba, 5 in District of Columbia, 51 in Florida, 5 in Georgia, 6 in Indian Territory, 24 in Kentucky, 17 in Louisiana, 5 in Maryland, 6 in Missouri, 22 in Mississippi, 5 in North Carolina, 10 in Tennessee, 12 in Oklahoma, 105 in Texas, 1 in Virginia, 48 in Western Arkansas and Indian Territory, 9 in Western North Carolina, and 2 in West Virginia. From this distribution of labor we get an idea of the vast extent of what we call our Home Mission work. When we remember that our Home Mission Board undertakes to give the gospel to all classes of our nation, white population; to the negroes living in every part of this wide field; to the German and French population in Maryland, Kentucky, Missouri and Louisiana; to the Mexicans in Texas, to the Indians in their western home, and to the Cubans on their native island, we get some idea of the marvelous variety of work demanded of the Home Board.

During the convention year ending 30th April last, the Home Board received contributions to the amount of \$56,622.82. By adding the amount on hand at the beginning of the year and continual funds collected during the year, the aggregate is \$67,768.51. Of this sum Alabama Baptists gave \$3,759.95. To the Alabama Baptist State Convention held in Marion last July, our Board of State Missions reported that for the eight months last past, Alabama Baptists had contributed to the Home Mission Board \$1585.00. Last week's *Alabama Baptist* states that for the past five months Alabama Baptists have given to Home Missions \$549.10. These figures show that we are doing almost nothing for this department of our Mission work; and this last remark is as true of our brethren in sister States as of us in Alabama. If your committee understand aright the report of our Home Mission Board, and if we are not widely mistaken as to the spirit of Southern Baptists, there is very little interest now felt in the work this Board is attempting to prosecute.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We make some statements in regard to our foreign mission work based on the last annual report of our Foreign Mission Board submitted to the Southern Baptist Convention last May.

Pagan fields, in which Southern Baptists are doing work, are Japan, Africa and China.

CHINA.

We now have in China 15 male and 14 female missionaries, assisted by 7 unordained missionaries and 21 native helpers, making whole number of mission workers 57. We have 13 organized churches with 1,067 members. Their contributions for the year were \$1,544.52, about one and a half dollars each. Baptized during the year 122. In China was our first foreign mission work. We began in South China in 1845; the year the Southern Baptist Convention was organized.

AFRICA.

In Africa we have 4 male and 4 female missionaries, 1 native and 1 unordained helper, making our working force number 10. We have 5 or-

ganized churches with 166 members. Their contributions for the year amounted to \$125.50, a little less than a dollar each. Our mission work in Africa began in 1850, 44 years ago. Our missionaries there baptized during the last year 24 persons.

JAPAN.

In Japan we have 2 male and 2 female ordained missionaries, 2 male and 2 female unordained missionaries, making our total mission force in that country 8. We have in Japan 1 church with 31 members. Contributions last year \$15. about 50 cents each. Our work in Japan was begun in 1889, only 5 years ago. Baptisms last year 9

SUMMARY ON PAGAN FIELDS.

	Mission- aries.	Churches.	Mem- bers.	Contri- butions.	Bap- tism.
Japan.....	8	1	31	\$ 15 00	9
Africa.....	10	5	166	125 54	24
China.....	57	13	1067	1544 52	122
Totals.....	75	19	1264	\$1685 02	155

Papal fields in which Southern Baptists are doing mission work are Mexico, Brazil and Italy.

In Italy we have 2 male and 1 female missionaries, 13 ordained and 14 unordained natives, making in all 30 workers. We have 17 churches with 372 members. Contributions last year \$395, a little more than a dollar each. Baptisms last year 38. Our work in Italy began in 1870, 24 years ago.

BRAZIL.

In Brazil we have 9 male and 6 female missionaries, 7 unordained male and 2 unordained female missionaries, making 24 mission workers. We have 11 churches with 618 members. Contributions last year \$12.30, about \$2 each. Baptisms during last year 159. Our first work was done in Brazil in 1882, 14 years ago.

MEXICO.

We have in Mexico 10 male and 9 female missionaries. Also 6 unordained females, 5 ordained natives, and 10 unordained natives, making 39 workers. We have 37 churches with 1163 members. Their contributions last year amounted to \$2,600.25, more than \$2 each. Baptisms last year 277. Our mission work in Mexico was begun in 1880, 14 years ago.

SUMMARY ON PAPAL FIELDS.

	Mission- aries.	Churches.	Mem- bers.	Contri- butions.	Bap- tisms.
Mexico.....	30	37	1163	\$2600 25	277
Brazil.....	24	11	618	1230 00	159
Italy.....	30	17	372	395 00	38
Totals.....	84	65	2153	\$4225 25	474
Add Pagan Fields...	75	19	1264	1685 02	155
	159	84	3417	\$5910 27	629

We here see that the Southern Baptist Convention has employed in foreign fields, all told, 159 missionaries; that our missionaries have gathered and organized 84 churches, with an aggregate membership of 3,417. We find that our churches in foreign lands contributed last year \$5,910.27, and that there were added to them during the year by baptism 476 members.

FINANCE.

During the last convention year our Foreign Mission Board received from all sources \$106,332.69, and was in debt at the close of the year \$30,823 78. The necessary outlay of this Board is now about \$10,000 per month, or \$120,000 per year. Receipts during the current year are falling far short, and unless they increase rapidly, the first of next May will find the Board with a much heavier debt than that reported last May.

By reference to report made by our Board of State Missions to the last Alabama Baptist State Convention, held in Marion last July, you will see, that for eight months, the Baptists of our State had given to foreign missions \$3,285.99, a fraction more than \$400 per month. From reports sent up to this Association by the churches, your committee fears that the Tuskegee Association is falling behind her past record in trying to give the gospel to the world.

Very Respectfully,
Z. D. ROBY, Chairman Committee.

The report spoken to and discussed by Brethren Roby, Bledsoe, Brewer, Shaffer, Buck, Cloud, and others.

A letter from the officers and faculty of the A & M. College, inviting the Association to visit the College, was read, and on motion the Secretary was ordered to respond by letter accepting the invitation for the next day.

On motion adjourned to evening service.

Dismissed by benediction.

EVENING SESSION.

TUESDAY EVENING 7 o'CLOCK.—In accordance to appointment, the Association assembled to hear the preaching of the Introductory Sermon by Dr. J. P. Shaffer. Subject, "Salvation by Grace."

After the sermon the Association resumed business by reading the

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

It gives your Committee much pleasure to be able to report an improved condition in the churches of this Association relative to the subject and practice of temperance. Within the past few years there has been a steady upward tendency in the sentiment regarding the evils of intemperance and against professed Christians yielding to so questionable a practice. Total abstinence is the accepted platform as regards sale or use as a beverage upon the part of Christians.

It is true that in some of our churches a few members are retained in fellowship who are guilty of using intoxicants as a beverage, and some few are guilty of intemperance, but such rest under the condemnation of their brethren, and are considered a stigma and disgrace upon the fair honor of the church and the Christian profession.

Christian charity so-called has thrown the mantle of forbearance over the weakness of these unfortunate members with the hope that they will be yet led to break away from their deadly sin and be saved to Christian usefulness, and manifest their love to Christ by a better and purer life.

We regret to say that saloons have been opened and legalized in two places within our associational bounds, and there are a few blind

tigers kept out in the jungles by some violators of law and honesty, but these are not encouraged or countenanced by any true Christian or honest citizen.

No member of any church who respects his own character or the fair name of his Master's cause, will be found frequenting such associations. It is claimed both by the church and by the world that no Christian can tamper with this evil without dishonoring his profession and usefulness.

The time has passed when any man, whether Christian or not, will be considered true to his citizenship, family or church who deals in or uses strong drink as a beverage. It is acknowledged by all that the sale and use of strong drink is not only a great wrong, but is a monster curse upon society and the State. It is an enemy to public interest, a burden upon the tax-payer, it is the manufacturer of criminals and a disgrace to the Christian power of any community.

If the Christian forces in our Association and churches will arise in the might of their power and influence against this great enemy, it will not be long before its hydra face will be ashamed to be seen or known among decent associations.

Respectfully submitted,

C. W. BUCK.

The report was interestingly spoken to by Brethren Buck, Shaffer, Anderson, Harris and Hornady, to a large and appreciative audience.

On motion adjourned to 9 A. M. to-morrow.

Prayer by G. E. Brewer.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 17, 9 A. M.—Services conducted by singing and prayer by Bro. B. M. Pack.

Moderator reported standing committees as follows:

On Education—Prof. P. H. Mell, J. W. Binford, W. W. King, T. J. Carlisle.

Missions (Home and Foreign)—G. S. Anderson, J. C. Condon, W. Whitman.

Missions (State and Colp.)—J. M. Love, Ben. Sharman, W. W. King.

Temperance—F. T. Hudson, Monroe Cameron, W. A. Adams.

Doctrine and State of Religion—W. E. Hudmon, C. A. McCrary, J. A. Peach.

Sunday Schools—Ed. Brewer, E. M. Swarengen, Jr., E. A. Christian.

Orphans' Home—John J. Cloud, D. P. Meadors, Willie Phipps.

REPORT ON DOCUMENTS AND STATE OF RELIGION.

We beg leave to report that we glean from the letters sent up that there seems to be a deep spiritual feeling pervading the churches. We are glad to note the fact that quite a number report revivals during the year. All the churches report Sunday schools except four. Some of these have had schools part of the year.

Union Grove and Pleasant Grove churches ask for the Association to hold its next session with them. We recommend that Pleasant Grove be its next place of meeting.

We are gratified to state that both of these churches have been aided

by the Association financially during the past year, and that neither of them has had the Association to meet with them since their organization. Respectfully submitted, W. E. HUDMON, Chairman.

Pleasant Grove church, 6 miles west of Salem, was unanimously selected as the place to hold the next session of the Association, Tuesday after the second Sunday in October, (15th) 1895.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ORPHANS' HOME.

Immediately after the meeting of the Alabama Baptist State Convention in November last at Greenville, a special committee appointed, visited Evergreen, Ala., to inspect a certain property which had been offered for sale. This property was purchased for a permanent Orphan's Home, with eighty acres attached, for the sum of \$5,000, payable in three annual payments. The first was due and paid Jan. 1, 1894, the second installment will be due next January, amounting to about \$1,800. Every Baptist Church, Sunday School, Missionary Society and individual feeling an interest in this great work, is urged to send what they can during the month of December next to meet this demand. Send to Rev. John W. Stewart, Financial Secretary Orphans' Home, Evergreen, Ala.

There are now thirty-two children in the Home. Two have been adopted into good Christian homes. This institution should occupy a very warm place in every Christian heart, and we recommend that Pastors and Sunday School Superintendents bring the Home before their people, and have a special collection taken quarterly for its support.

We further recommend that the Tuskegee Association appoint a Standing Committee to report annually.

Your committee believe the institution to be in a healthy condition spiritually and physically, but will continually require the fostering care of the denomination. Two of the pupils have been recently baptized, and others are concerned about their salvation.

J. M. LOVE, Chm'n Com

Much interest was manifested by the brethren in speeches and promises relative to this work.

The report on education being called for, was read and adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Education progresses as never before in the history of man. Along all lines of science of thought and revelation, knowledge increases—its scope widens, its methods multiply and its spirit intensifies.

Private, State and religious institutions vie with each other in effort.

Surely we are upon the threshold of the world's broadest thought.

Our educational efforts present two phases—that of the secular and religious, or state and denominational. We wish to note three special facts involved in the secular phase.

1. The interest of common schools demands our earnest consideration and support. They supply those influences in which society is crystallized, and which conserve all the vital powers of our civilization, reaching and touching our whole people, and being the sole means of training for the majority of our young. The common schools should receive the hearty support of every citizen. It is a sad fact that 57 per cent. of our population cannot read, and that only \$500,000 are expended annually for this cause. We pay a net profit to fire insurance of \$746,000, 55 per cent. more than the sum total appropriated to education.

2. The next fact is that of sectarian influence in our schools. One of

the prominent colleges of the State being located within our bounds, attention is specially directed to this fact in connection with this institution.

In the A. & M. College located in Auburn we have the following approximated sectarian exhibit:

The Methodist have 8 teachers, and draw \$12,000 in salaries.

The Episcopalians have 5 teachers, and draw \$8,000 in salaries.

The Presbyterians have 5 teachers, and draw \$6,000 in salaries.

The Baptists have 2 teachers, and draw \$4,000 in salaries.

These four denominations approximate the following numbers in the State :

The Baptists 108,000, Methodists 88,000, Presbyterians 21,000 and Episcopalians 7,000. While the Baptists have the largest membership in the State, they supply the smallest number of teachers and draw less money than the smallest. These facts savor of sectarianism as being developed in this college.

Your committee would make but one suggestion concerning the matter *i. e.*, that the responsibility for Baptist weakness in this college be located, whether it be in the denomination at large, the immediate representatives in the college or this association in whose bounds it is located.

3. The third fact is the appropriation of public funds to sectarian institutions. Several million dollars of public money has been appropriated to Catholic institutions in the city of New York alone within the last few years. Over \$3,000,000 have been appropriated to Catholic schools among the Indians alone, during the last five years.

Coming nearer home. We learn that public funds are being appropriated to sectarian schools in our own State. Yea, within the bounds of this Association.

The appropriation of public money to sectarian institutions is the first and insidious step toward the unholy alliance of Church and State.

Deliverance from the curse which this alliance brings has been purchased by martyr blood, and whatever may savor of its restoration should be resisted with unyielding devotion. Our liberties can not be too zealously guarded.

The second phase is "Denominational Education." While the State furnishes the volume, the sects supply the strength and genius of our training.

It is the sheet anchor of our civilization, and should not, therefore, be displaced.

As a denomination, we foster in the State two schools. The Howard and the Judson. The Howard has completed the fifty-third year of its history, and at this date has more than 150 pupils. The Board of Trustees are pleased with the success attending their efforts. The faculty are efficient and enthusiastic in their work. The students are orderly and earnest. The Bible is used as a text book, and all the students, not already converted, except one, were converted last year.

The Judson has opened with sixty-five boarders, and is encouraged with the prospects for the year.

It maintains the high standard of refined culture that has made it famous throughout the land. These schools are earnestly commended to the public, and to Baptists specially, as being eminently worthy of their support and patronage.

Ministerial education demands special consideration. The Convention asks \$3,000 with which to sustain twenty-two young preachers at the college, and eight at the seminary. They are the gifts of the Lord to the churches, and should be trained for their great work. The training for

the field ministry, a work not heretofore attempted by the denomination is a special demand of this age.

Of the 1,000 white Baptist preachers in Alabama, less than 150 have received the training of the schools. More than 850 are therefore left without an effort on the part of the denomination to supply them with helpful training. This field of effort is now commending itself to the brethren.

Respectfully submitted G. S. ANDERSON, Chm'n.

Bro. Whittle, agent of Howard College, was requested to address the Association on the subject of the report, which he did.

The hour set apart for preaching having arrived, Rev. W. C. Bledsoe, by appointment, preached from 1 John, v. 4 and 5 verses.

On motion adjourned.

Benediction by Bro. G. E. Brewer.

WEDNESDAY, 2:30 P. M.—Association reassembled, and after singing and prayer by Bro. Hudson, the discussion of the report was resumed, Brethren Harris, Mell, Shaffer, Lloyd, Anderson and others speaking to it.

Dr. Roby offered the following resolutions.

WHEREAS, We have heard with pleasure of Bro. Anderson's "Correspondence Course" in behalf of ministers on the field, and

WHEREAS, We have also heard with pleasure of the action of the Ministers' Conference of East Alabama in regard to the "Correspondent Course, therefore

Resolved, first, That we endorse the action of the Ministers' Conference of East Alabama.

Second, That we commend the "Correspondence Course" as conducted by Bro. Anderson, to our churches as one of the objects of regular contributions.

Report on Sunday Schools read, and after being spoken to by Brethren Buck, Harris and Shaffer, was adopted as follows:

Your Committee report that out of the twenty churches composing this Association, fourteen of them report regular Sunday Schools in active work, with an average membership of 550 scholars, 85 officers and teachers, making a total of 635. Two of the churches remaining have had schools during a part of the year. The other three report no school, because of a membership too much scattered to attend, (one church not reporting).

In one or two instances, no doubt, the excuses may be legitimate, but we are persuaded that in most of the cases the fault lies at the doors of the parents in not exercising proper Christian interest and zeal in the spiritual instruction of the young.

We believe that when there is zealous effort made a Sunday School can be sustained in almost every neighborhood in the bounds of our Association. One great want in successful Sunday School operation, is *more grown up children* from among the church membership. The extreme ignorance of the Scriptures among many of the grown and older Christians, is to be deplored. They are too old to attend the Sunday School, and have not the time to read and study the Word at home. We regret to say that this want of interest exists in the towns as well as

in the country. I doubt if there is a parent, man or woman, in this Association, who may not be benefitted by becoming a regular scholar in the Sunday School.

Another great need in successfully keeping up an interest in the Sunday School is a "Good Library," composed of interesting and instructive books and literature, setting forth those gospel truths and principles which we profess to believe and teach.

These books are written by some of our best and most earnest Christian teachers, and are selected by experienced judges, with a view to instruct and indoctrinate. Our Colportage Board at Montgomery have many hundreds of these books in store, from which can be selected a good library suitable to the needs and finances of any of our schools.

The greatest want is more love to God, and desire for the salvation of souls upon the part of parents and teachers, men and women.

The end of Sunday School work should be to lead to Christ all who come within reach of our influence and instruction. Every lesson to be properly taught and learned, should be prayed over. We can best teach and influence that child, man or woman, for whom we have faithfully sought help of God.

We recommend the prayerful consideration of these suggestions, and believe that an honest effort to do our duty will greatly enlarge this work upon our hands during the next year.

Respectfully submitted.

C. W. BUCK.

On motion, election of Executive Committee resulted in the re-election of the same committee with the addition of Bro. J. J. Cloud to the committee.

Bro. Anderson offered the following:

Resolved, That after this session we hold our Associational meetings three days, and that we have preaching each day just previous to the dinner hour. Passed.

Bro. Brewer, the Treasurer, made his report as follows:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

	Cash	Vouchers	Total
For Minutes	\$ 35 03	\$	\$ 35 03
" State Missions	8 40	93 33	101 73
" Home Missions.....	5 00	88 84	93 84
" Foreign Missions.....	13 20	93 30	106 50
" Association Purposes.....	226 14	102 85	328 99
" Bible and Colportage.....	.....	6 35	6 35
" Ministerial Education .....	.....	33 16	33 16
" Orphan's Home.....	2 00	185 64	187 64
" Church Building.....	.....	9 15	9 15
" Miss Kelly .....	.....	5 00	5 00
" Sunbeam Missionary, of Foreign M. B. .	10 00	.....	10 00
" Judson Institute .....	.....	10 00	10 00
" Anderson Course.	42	28 23	28 65
" American Baptist Pub. Society.....	.....	50	50
	\$ 300 16	\$ 656 35	\$ 956 54

Mission Collection after the Sermon.....\$5 15

E. BREWER, Treasurer.

On motion, the Treasurer was ordered to pay over the amount of cash on hand for Associational Missions pro rata as the amount bears to the amounts due as per report of Executive Committee.

Resolved, That the Treasurer is ordered to pay over to the Clerk, Bro. Buck, all money sent up for minutes, and that the Bro. Clerk have a sufficient number of minutes printed to supply the churches and pay himself for his services out of what is left of the funds.

FIFTH SUNDAY MEETINGS.

Executive Committee reported the Fifth Sunday meeting in April, 1895, to be held with the Liberty Church, Lee county, commencing Friday before.

Adjourned with prayer by Bro. J. J. Cloud.

EVENING SESSION.

Wednesday, p. m., Oct. 17.—The Missionary Sermon was preached by Dr. C. W. Buck, Text, Mark i. 38, to a large and attentive congregation. After which a collection was taken for Missions amounting to \$5.

After the sermon the Association took up the next item of business.

Committee reported preachers for next year. Introductory Sermon, Rev. John J. Cloud; Missionary Sermon, Rev. Z. D. Roby, D.D.

Bro. Hudson read report on State Missions and Colportage in this Association as follows:

REPORT OF F. T. HUDSON, COLPORTER AND EVANGELIST, OF THE TUSKEGEE ASSOCIATION, FOR SIX MONTHS WORK BEGINNING

APRIL 1, AND ENDING SEPT. 30, 1894.

Days of services rendered.....	165
Families visited.....	1,550
Miles traveled.....	1,630
Churches visited.....	29
Sermons preached.....	59
Prayer meetings held.....	35
Sunday School addresses....	10
Sunday Schools organized.....	4
Families without the Bible.....	84
Bibles donated..... 15, value \$	3 60
Testaments donated..... 49, value	4 64
Number of books sold..... 331, value	126 75
Baptised.....	15
Received by Letter.....	9
Baptised by others in connection with my work.....	15

F. T. HUDSON, Colporter and Evangelist.

STATE MISSIONS.

While the Association desires to be in full accord with the Mission work in the State, it was believed by the Executive Committee and brethren that we could best subserve the mission interest by directing some of the State Mission funds to the immediate support of some of the weak country churches within our bounds. Each church was permitted to send its contributions through its chosen channel. The wisdom of the Associational Mission has been fully demonstrated by the increased work done, and the interest developed among these churches, which we believe will bring forth greater and better fruit in the future. A full statement of work done will be seen by examining the report of Treasurer of Executive Committee and report of Treasurer of the Association.

There remains a broad field of work in the State that calls for greater energy upon the part of all our people. Respectfully submitted,

F. T. HUDSON, Chm'n.

This report was discussed by very earnest talks from Brethren Pack, Hornady, Cloud and Hudson, presenting this work as one of the most important interests demanding our consideration. The destitution at home can be met by active personal work.

REPORT ON DECEASED MINISTERS.

It is with grateful thanks to God that we can report "No vacancy in the family of ministers" belonging to the Association. But it is our sad duty to announce that since our last session our former Moderator, Deacon WADDY W. THOMPSON has passed from his labors here to the enjoyment of his hope within the home "not made with hands." Brother Thompson was a devoted Christian, a true kind friend, and a faithful supporter of his Master's cause, therefore

Resolved, That we deeply sympathize with the church at Tuskegee in the death of

DEACON WADDY W. THOMPSON.

While we mourn that we shall see him no more in this life nor have his counsel in our meetings, while we sympathize with his afflicted loved ones at home, we rejoice in the assurance given us by his life and profession, that he has found rest and welcome in the sweet home above.

With kind and loving remembrance.

C. W. BUCK, Committee.

Adopted and ordered to be spread upon the minutes.

Dr. J. M. Love offered the following

RESOLUTION OF THANKS.

That we tender to the brethren and sisters of the Auburn church and the citizens of Auburn, our thanks and appreciation of the hospitable care given to the Association during the meeting, which has made our visit so pleasant to us.

Passed unanimously.

The regular business of the Association being finished, the motion to adjourn was made.

The brother Moderator remarked upon the uncertainty of our

ever meeting again as we now stood—some would be missing, perhaps, from the next annual meeting. We would give, therefore, the “parting hand” in token of our Christian love and remembrance, with the hope that we would all meet at last in the Father’s house, where there would be no more parting or breaking up.

While the choir sang an appropriate hymn, the officers, delegates and friends gave the parting hand, and after a tender heartfelt prayer by Dr. W. E. Lloyd, the Association was declared adjourned, to meet with PLEASANT GROVE CHURCH, Tuesday, October 15th, 1895.

G. A. HORNADY, *Moderator*.

C. W. BUCK, *Secretary*.

STATISTICS OF TUSKEGEE ASSOCIATION, 1894.

CHURCHES	COUNTY	PASTORS	CLERKS	Post OFFICES	Ordnained Ministers	Membership Last Reported	Incre's'd by			Decre's'd by			Present Membership	Day of Meeting	Prayer Meeting	S. SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS	Officers and Teachers	Pupils	No. Baptized from S. S
							Baptism	Letter	Restoration	Letter	Expelled	Death		Reg					
Auburn	Lee	J. H. Wallace	W. B. Frazer	Anburn	1	113	1	12		23			103	2	W	W. B. Frazer	10	80	1
Concord	Lee	S. B. Grimes	R. W. Dixon	Mott's Mill	1	37	4	3		4	2		38	2					
Concord	Macon	J. R. Stodghill	J. W. Gunn	Tuskegee	2	23	8	11		2	1		39	4		J. W. Copeland	5	45	6
County Line	Lee	J. R. Stodghill	W. R. Adams	Salem	3	37	5			4	1		37	3		S. B. Fears	7	26	
Cubahatchee	Macon	J. J. Cloud	J. R. Simmons	Shorter's Station	1	74	2			3			73	2&4		J. C. Pinkston	8	40	
Blum	Lee					37													
LaPlace	Macon	J. J. Cloud	E. M. Swearingen	Catchee		28				2			26	1		J. F. Cloud	4	16	
Liberty	Lee	J. R. Stodghill	R. B. Wright	Opelika		50	2	3		12	1		40	1		H. F. Saunders	6	26	2
Loachapoka	Lee	G. S. Anderson	J. L. Wise	Loachapoka	2	45	10			3			53	2&4		J. L. Wise	8	30	
Notasulga	Macon	J. P. Hunter	J. B. Vaughn	Notasulga		69	2	1		2			59	2		F. M. Bryant	6	23	2
Opelika	Lee	S. S. Black	S. S. Black	Opelika	1	185	2	16		25			177	Reg		W. E. Brewer	13	95	1
Pleasant Grove	Lee	F. T. Hudson	D. W. Echols	Salem		49	15	6		1			69	2		G. W. Meadors	4	27	
Pleasant Hill	Macon	J. B. Clements	A. J. Jackson	Tuskegee	1	22	4	3		1			28	3					
Providence	Lee		C. A. Killian	Opelika		38				2	1		35						
Rocky Mount	Lee	E. S. Moncrief	J. E. Henderson	Beulah		56	7	1	3	4	4		58	1					
Salem	Lee	W. R. Whatley	D. W. Floyd	Salem	1	65	1	1		1	3		63	4		W. J. M. Love	8	35	1
Salem	Macon	J. W. Hanner	W. A. Jackson	Notasulga		69	4			8			72	3					
Shiloh	Macon	J. B. Clements	J. M. Jackson	Uband		28	2		1	4	1		65	4					
Society Hill	Russell	S. R. Grimes	A. H. Rutherford	Society Hill		98				1	3		15	3					
Tuskegee	Macon	G. A. Hornady	G. C. Wright	Tuskegee	1	112				7	3	4	98	Reg		W. W. Thompson	7	35	
Union Grove	Lee	J. R. Stodghill	A. M. Blalock	Chevacla		61	7	1	6	3	2		76	2		W. D. Newman	6	20	

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT OF TUSKEGEE ASSOCIATION, 1894.

CHURCHES	Minutes	MISSIONS								Sunbeam Mission	Judson	Church Building	Anderson's Course for S. S.	Pastor's Salary	Value of Buildings, Etc.	Money Expended at Home For Poor, Etc.
		Foreign	Home	State	Association	Bible and Colportage	Orphans' Home	Ministerial Education								
1. Auburn.....	\$ 3 00	\$11 64	\$57 36	58 95	\$ 7 25	\$ 5 90	\$58 35	\$12 00	\$ 11 88	\$ 59 15	\$ 25 00	\$ 238 00	\$3500 00	\$86 06		
2. Concord, Lee.....	75	2 00			7 45							25 45	300 00			
3. Concord, Macon..	1 25				7 45							65 00	400 00	10 00		
4. County Line.....	2 00				10 14		1 70					250 00	500 00			
5. Cubahatchee....	1 53	14 15		37 36	10 55	3 30	47 71		11 88			25 00	800 00			
6. LaPlace.....	1 25				17 75					5 33		250 00	600 00			
7. Liberty.....	1 25		60	2 50	4 70			1 00				100 00	650 00			
8. Loachapoka.....	1 50				26 24							250 00	1000 00			
9. Notasulga.....	2 00	85	65	4 00	12 90	45	12 22					1000 00	1000 00			
10. Opelika.....	5 00	31 05			83 35		76 10	15 00	10 00			45 95	1000 00	319 00		
11. Pleasant Grove..	2 00				9 43					5 75		500 00	500 00			
12. Pleasant Hill....	1 00	2 00			4 40								300 00			
13. Providence.....					4 20								300 00			
14. Rocky Mount....	1 50	4 20	8 40										250 00			
15. Salem, Lee.....	2 25	16 12	10 45	5 38	9 19		11 27	2 53		3 40		125 00	500 00			
16. Salem, Macon..	1 00												500 00			
17. Shiloh.....	1 50				6 50								500 00			
18. Society Hill.....	1 00				9 65								20000 00	70 29		
19. Tuskegee.....	3 50	27 50	22 50	5 00	86 50		26 00	2 00	10 00			15 00	100 00			
20. Union Grove....	1 75		2 28		15 41		2 00	63				1 60	500 00			

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